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receive over the next few months. And then we could react accordingly next January, if we were so inclined. This puts it in the Cash Reserve.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Wehrbein. You've heard the opening on AM1835. Open for discussion. Senator...I'm sorry, you took your light off. Any further discussion? Seeing none, Senator Wehrbein, did you wish to...he waives the opportunity to close. The question before the body is AM1835, offered by Senator Wehrbein to LB 798. All in favor of the motion vote aye, opposed nay. The motion before the body is adoption of AM1835. Record please, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 29 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of Senator Wehrbein's amendment.

SENATOR CUDABACK: The motion was successful. The amendment has been adopted.

CLERK: Senator Raikes would move to amend, AM1674. (Legislative Journal page 1765.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Raikes, to open on AM1674 to LB 798.

SENATOR RAIKES: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the Legislature. This is something I don't think you want to do. This would be an amendment that deals with the transfer from the Cash Reserve Fund to the General Fund. Let me background it a little bit. The Appropriations Committee recommended that \$3 million per year be transferred from the Cash Reserve to the General Fund to be used for a tobacco cessation program. I've forgotten exactly the full name of the fund. But use that as an approximation. The Legislature decided a couple of days ago not to do that, not to spend the money on that particular program. This amendment would sort of complete the process and say, well, if you're not going to spend the money on tobacco cessation, the \$6 million, then you don't need to transfer it from the Cash Reserve Fund into the General Fund. It's logical, I think, and the reason I offered the amendment. However, the net effect would be that if you look at your financial...or, fiscal status sheet, right now, the budget hole there on the top line is